



**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2011**

**CANDLELIGHT CHORAL EUCHARIST**  
**11 pm**

*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer.*

*We are happy to have you with us. This service is part of our ongoing life of worship, learning and service. We are here to deepen our relationship with God and with one another, and to explore how to live our lives more fully and compassionately. Please let us know more about you by completing a welcome card which can be found in the pews and placing it in the offering plate or handing it to any usher.*

A WARM WELCOME to all our friends and visitors tonight. The service sheet is designed to make the service as clear as possible, so that all may partake fully in the worship. If you have any needs, or questions about the service itself, or about our life and ministries, do not hesitate to ask one of the ushers on duty – they are here to assist you. The text printed in **bold** type is said by the congregation. We pray that you will be inspired this evening as we worship our Incarnate Lord Jesus Christ.

We rely on the generosity of our parishioners and friends to maintain this beautiful historic Cathedral and to fund its many programs, including the Music, the splendours of which are offered this evening, as always, to the Glory of God and with the prayer that as you listen, you may be stirred and inspired.

For those wishing to make a donation in support of the Cathedral and its ministries, gift envelopes are provided.

**MAY THE PEACE AND JOY OF CHRISTMAS BE YOURS**

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MUSIC OF THE LITURGY

*Mass of the Quiet Hour*

George Oldroyd (1887-1956)

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PRELUDE      *Air, Bourée, and Hornpipe* from *Suite in F, "Water Music"* HWV 348,  
George Frederic Handel (1685-1759)

*Harmonies du Soir*, op. 72, no. 1      Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

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*All stand and join in singing*

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

O come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him  
Born the king of angels:  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God,  
Begotten, not created:  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Sing, choirs of Angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above:  
Glory to God  
In the highest:  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him,*  
    *O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
Born on Christmas morning,  
Jesu, to thee be glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing:  
*O come, let us adore him,*  
*O come, let us adore him,*  
*O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

**Words:** 18<sup>th</sup> Century, trans. F. Oakeley, W. T. Brooke & others  
**Music:** *Adeste Fidelis* Composer unknown, probably 18<sup>th</sup> Century  
descant, David Willcocks (b. 1919)

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*People* **unto whom all hearts be open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love thee,  
and worthily magnify thy holy Name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*sung by the Choir*

Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Eternal God,  
This holy night is radiant  
With the brilliance of your one true light.  
As we have known  
The revelation of that light on earth,  
Bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*All sit*

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

##### FIRST READING

Isaiah 9: 2-7

*reader:* Grant Reddick

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian. For every battle of

the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

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*Cantor first, then all sing the refrain.*

*The Choir sings the verses and the Congregation sings the refrain where indicated*

Mode 5

**Refrain**

To - day is born our Sa - vior, Christ the Lord.  
 from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

Sing to the LORD a new song; \*  
 sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.  
 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; \*  
 proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

***Refrain***

Declare his glory among the nations \*  
 and his wonders among all peoples.  
 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \*  
 he is more to be feared than all gods.

***Refrain***

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \*  
 but it is the LORD who made the heavens.  
 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \*  
 Oh, the power and the splendour of his sanctuary!

***Refrain***

Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; \*  
ascribe to the LORD honour and power.  
Ascribe to the LORD the honour due his Name; \*  
bring offerings and come into his courts.  
Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth tremble before him.

*Refrain*

Tell it out among the nations: “The LORD is King! \*  
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples  
with equity.”  
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; \*  
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

*Refrain*

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, \*  
when he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world with righteousness \*  
and the peoples with his truth.

*Refrain*

SECOND READING

Titus 2: 11-14

*reader:* Christine Sutherland

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand and join in singing*

## THE GRADUAL HYMN

Hark! The herald Angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled:  
Joyful all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies,  
With the angelic host proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

*Hark! the herald Angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold him come  
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
Hail the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

*Hark! the herald Angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.*

Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Risen with healing in his wings;  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

*Hark! the herald Angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.*

**Words:** C. Wesley (1743), and others  
**Music:** Mendelssohn adapt. from a chorus by F. Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)  
descant, David Willcocks

## THE ALLELUIA

*Cantor first, then all sing*



*Cantor* I bring for you news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

*All repeat the Alleluias*

## GOSPEL

Luke 2: 1-20

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made

known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

*Gospeller*            The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*                **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Fanfares sound*

*As the Gospel procession retires, the lights of the Cathedral come on.  
All may extinguish their candles*

THE SERMON

The Rector

*At the conclusion of the sermon, all stand*

THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant*            I Believe in One God

*All*                    **the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of the Father before all worlds;  
God of God; Light of light;  
Very God of very God;  
begotten, not made;  
being of one substance with the Father;  
through whom all things were made:  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man,  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered and was buried,  
and the third day he rose again  
according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.  
And he shall come again with glory  
to judge both the quick and the dead:  
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the Lord, The Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who spake by the prophets.  
And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.  
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.  
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the Life of the world to come. Amen.**

*All kneel*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor:* Diana Patterson

*Leader* As we join the angels and celebrate with joy the birth of the Son of God, let us offer prayers to God who gives new birth to sons and daughters in every place.

*Leader* By the birth of the timeless Son of God in the womb of the Virgin Mary.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For Derek our bishop and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For all believers who put their trust in the incarnate Son of God.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For the conversion of the whole human race to our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for those who have died.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

*People* **Glory and praise to thee, O living God.**

*Leader* Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

*People* **To thee, O Lord.**

*Celebrant* Source of light and gladness, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May we grow in Jesus Christ who unites our lives to thine and who is Lord for all eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

#### THE CONFESSION

*Gospeller* Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

*Gospeller* Almighty God,

*All* **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord**

**Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of they Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### THE ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*All stand*

#### THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you,

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*All sit*

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### THE ANTHEM

English traditional, arr. Anthony Prower

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,  
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;  
"All hail," said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary,  
Most highly favoured lady."

*Gloria.*

"For known a blessed mother thou shalt be,  
All generations laud and honour thee,  
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold.  
Most highly favoured lady."

*Gloria.*

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,  
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,  
“My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name.”  
Most highly favoured lady.”

*Gloria.*

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ was born  
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,  
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say  
Most highly favoured lady.

*Gloria.*

*- English traditional*

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

*All stand and join in singing*

### **THE OFFERTORY HYMN**

The first Nowell the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

They lookèd up and saw a star,  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

Then entered in those wise men three,  
Full rev'rently upon the knee,  
And offer'd there, in his presence,  
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught,  
And with his blood mankind hath bought.  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.*

**Words:** English traditional  
descant, David Willcocks

**Music:** *The First Nowell*, English traditional, arr. John Stainer (1840-1901)

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

*Celebrant* God of love and power,  
your word stirs within us  
the expectation of the coming of your Son.  
Accept all we offer you this day,  
and sustain us with your promise of eternal life.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you;  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts;  
*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;  
*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Celebrant* It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Because thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*sung by the Choir*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:  
Hosanna in the Highest.

*All kneel*

*Celebrant* Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death and sacrifice until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and

Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

**All**                    **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee,  
And we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

*Celebrant*            And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are to be partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

**All**                    **Amen.**

*Here follows a profound silence*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*            And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All*                      **Our Father, who art in heaven,**  
                             **hallowed be thy name,**  
                             **thy kingdom come,**  
                             **thy will be done,**  
                             **on earth as it is in heaven.**  
                             **Give us this day our daily bread.**  
                             **And forgive us our trespasses,**  
                             **as we forgive those who trespass against us.**  
                             **And lead us not into temptation,**  
                             **but deliver us from evil.**  
                             **For thine is the kingdom,**  
                             **the power, and the glory,**  
                             **for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread*

*Celebrant*            Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People*                   **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!**

*Celebrant*            The gifts of God for the people of God.  
*People*                   **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

*sung by the Choir*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
grant us thy peace.

*All Sit.*

*Please take purses and valuables with you when you go to Communion*  
*Sacramental Ministers: Jennifer Reed & Michael Prior*

ANTHEM

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,  
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.  
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed  
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim, worship night and day,  
A breast full of milk, and a manger full of hay;  
Enough for Him, whom angels fall before,  
The ox and ass and camel which adore.

What can I give Him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

- Christina Rossetti (1830-1898)

CAROL

Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit and always green:  
The tress of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought:  
I missed of all; but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile:  
Under the shadow I will be, Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

- Anonymous, collection of Joshua Smith, New Hampshire, 1784

*At the conclusion of the distribution, all kneel and sing*

#### THE COMMUNION HYMN

Silent night! Holy Night!  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and child  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy Night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight:  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia,  
Christ the Saviour is born.  
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night! Holy night!  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

**Words:** Joseph Mohr (1792-1848), trans. J. F. Young (1820-1885)  
**Music:** *Stille Nacht* Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863), harm. Carl H. Reineke (1824-1910)

*All remain kneeling*

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Almighty and everliving God,  
**we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.**

**And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.**

#### THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with all his joy and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

*All stand*

#### THE RETIRING HYMN

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:  
Let earth receive her King:  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;  
Let us our songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make his blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love.

**Words:** Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

**Music:** *Antioch* George Frederic Handel, adapt. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

#### THE DISMISSAL

*Gospeller* Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY *Finale from Music for the Royal Fireworks*, HWV 351  
George Frederic Handel

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#### *Celebrant and Preacher*

The Rector

#### *Gospeller*

The Rev'd Canon Dr. Cyril Challice

#### *Subdeacon*

Richard Johnson

#### *Servers*

Barry Farlow · Gerry Young · Elaine Hutchison

#### *Guest Musicians*

Linda McGraw, Trudy Fossey, Daniel Mills, *trumpets*

The trumpet soloist for Prelude and Voluntary is Daniel Mills

The brass arrangements for the hymns are by Zachary Wadsworth (b. 1983) who also composed the gospel fanfare especially for this service.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CATHEDRAL  
ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY**

Cyril and Elizabeth Challice

The Crump and Kopp Families

Brian and Irene Dean

*In loving memory of Shane McIlwrath (died May 2011) and Courtney Sandin (died Nov. 2011)*

June Gates

*In loving memory of Alf Gates, dear husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather*

Roxanne Haniff-Darwent and Family

*In loving memory of Sarah Jane Mars, our great-grandmother; Joseph Maurice Haniff, our father and grandfather; Sheila Alberta Haniff, our mother and grandmother; Charles Robert Darwent, husband and father; Mary Mentore, our grandmother*

The Rev'd Leighton Lee

*In loving memory of Andrew and Emma Lee, Harry and Gladys Hendricksen, Meredith Steers and The Rev'd Professor Peter J. Gomes*

Dorothy Major and Family

*In loving memory of Mam, Dad, husband Jack, sister Joyce, Tom, brother Laurence, June, niece Wendy, Dad John, Cindy, Tinker and Misty*

Lynne Phillips and Family

Sandra and Michael Prior and Family

*In loving memory of those Priors and Bristos who have gone before*

Joanne Snyder

*In fond memory of Reta Manahan*



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**Christine Sutherland, *Assistant Warden***

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Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 4 PM

The Rector's day off is Friday

**Noon-hour Eucharists are suspended until Tuesday, January 4, 2011**

**The office is closed on Monday, December 27 and Tuesday, December 28**

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday, 25 December

### Christmas Day

10:30 am Procession and Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: The Bishop of Calgary

### *Intercessions*

*FOR THOSE IN NEED:* Kristy Benckhuysen (granddaughter of Mike and Sandy Prior), Kyle McLeod (son of friends of Lynne Phillips), Vivian Price

*FOR THOSE ON THE PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER:* Derek & Pauline Hoskin; Leighton Lee; Cyril & Elizabeth Challice; Tim Pyper & Zach Wadsworth; Eva Rudolf; Sandra Savage

### *Music, Liturgy and Christian Education*

- ❖ There will be **NO Candlelight Vespers** on Thursday, December 29 or Thursday, January 5, 2012.
- ❖ **Sunday School** resumes on Sunday, January 8.

### *Newcomers*

- ❖ If you are new to the Cathedral and would like to become a member, please fill out the welcome card which can be found in the pew and check the box titled "I would like to become a member of the Cathedral." This card can be placed in the offering plate or handed to the Rector. You can also email the office at [office@anglican Cathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglican Cathedralcalgary.ca) Our next new members Sunday is **January 15, 2011.**

### *Parish Information*

- ❖ **Baptism** is a declaration that within the physical dwells the spiritual. It is linking a life with Christ. The rite of Baptism is provided by arrangement with the clergy.
- ❖ **Confirmation** is a declaration that one consciously assumes the obligations and privileges of the Church's life and seeks the strength and inspiration that come from the laying on of hands by the Bishop. For further information, please speak with the Rector.

- ❖ **Holy Matrimony** is performed by arrangement with the clergy. For more information, please call the Cathedral office at 403-269-1905 or email [office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca) .
- ❖ **Membership and Parish Activities.** For information regarding membership of the various activities offered at the Cathedral, please call *Eva Rudolf, Administrative Assistant* at 403-269-1905 ext.112 or email [office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca)
- ❖ **The Cathedral Choir** is open to anyone who has previous choral experience and an ability to read music. For more information, please contact *Dr. Timothy Pyper, Director of Music* at 403-269-1905 ext.117 or email [tim@timpyper.com](mailto:tim@timpyper.com)
- ❖ **Pledging** expresses a parishioner's intention to make a financial commitment to the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer. Most parishioners make weekly or monthly pledge payments, though some pay quarterly, semi-annually or once a year. For information regarding pledging, please contact *Sandra Savage, Treasurer* at 403-269-1905 ext.113 or email [savagebookkeeper@shaw.ca](mailto:savagebookkeeper@shaw.ca)
- ❖ **Outreach.** For information about the many outreach opportunities in the parish, please contact the Cathedral office at 403-269-1905 or email [office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca)
- ❖ **Change of Address.** Please indicate any changes to contact information (address, telephone number, etc.) on a pew card, and place it in the collection plate or contact the Cathedral office at 403-269-1905, or email [office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca)

## Envelope Information

- ❖ **Contribution envelopes for 2012** are available for pickup in the Narthex. They are arranged alphabetically for your convenience. Some envelope numbers have been reassigned, so please **do not use** envelopes from past years. Those parishioners subscribing to the Pre-Authorized Donation (PADs) plan will not have physical envelopes assigned to them. If you donate through PADs, and wish to make extra contributions during the year, you are asked to use a Visitor Envelope marked with your new number, or just your name. Please contact the office at 403-269-1905 ext.112, or [office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca](mailto:office@anglicancathedralcalgary.ca) if you have any questions regarding the donation envelopes, if your contact information changes, or if you would like to start using envelopes.